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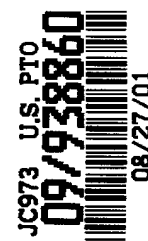
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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231



Re: Application of Guy LEMOINE, Jean-Philippe GILLET and Yannick JOLIVET
SYNTHETIC BITUMEN OIL-WATER EMULSIONS, THEIR PREPARATION
AND THEIR APPLICATIONS
Assignee: TOTAL RAFFINAGE DISTRIBUTION S.A.
Our Ref. Q65875

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including fifteen (15) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract. The requisite U.S. Government Filing fee, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO 1449 form.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	25 - 20	=	5	x	\$18.00	=	\$90.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	=		x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$710.00
TOTAL FEE							\$800.00

Priority is claimed from August 30, 2000 based on French Application No. 0011069. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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